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**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the claims as shown on the attached Version with Markings to Show

Changes Made and Replacement Sheets.

Claims 1, 9, 17, 31, 33 and 34 are amended.

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**REMARKS**

The Advisory Action dated February 22, 2002 has been received and carefully studied.

The Examiner states that it is not the Examiner's position that the wells are filled with the filter medium, but that it is the Examiner's position that the wells are shown as having a 30 mm diameter relative to a 3 mm thickness of the filter sheet. Since the Examiner believes that the diameter of the porous portion of the filter sheet would be equal to the diameter of the well so as to be aligned with the aperture and provide the same filtration surface as the completely porous